

# <<Program Name>>

## Family-School-Community Partnerships

### Position Description



#### Project goals and position description

The overall goal of <<program name>> is to improve student achievement in low-income and underserved schools, thereby helping to close the achievement gap between low-income and minority students and their peers. The project utilizes AmeriCorps\*VISTA members in the following capacities:

- To develop and expand ongoing collaborative partnerships between schools and their respective families and communities
- To involve families in learning at home, volunteering, communication with teachers and administrators, and decision-making processes that affect students' education
- To facilitate an action team for partnerships that designs, implements, and sustains partnership practices
- To educate faculty, students, and parents on the benefits of service earning

#### Expected skills and qualifications of AmeriCorps\*VISTA members

- College degree and previous community service
- Excellent oral and written communication skills
- Willingness to take initiative to promote partnerships
- Entrepreneurial skills (to seek funding)
- Relationship building, teamwork, and leadership skills
- Patience, willingness to learn, and open mindedness to differing perspectives and ideas
- Excellent organizational skills
- Commitment to the mission of the project and its impact on schools and communities

#### Benefits for AmeriCorps\*VISTA members

- Living allowance of <<amount/month>>
- Health benefits
- Child care, if eligible <<max. \$\_\_\_\_/month>>
- End-of-year cash stipend of <<amount>> or Education Award of <<amount>>
- <<personal time and sick time>>
- <<other benefits, such as relocation allowance, etc.>>

#### For more information

<<Program contact information, including Web site, e-mail and phone number>>